

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

November 5, 2003

IN RE:

**IMPLEMENTATION OF THE FEDERAL
COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION'S
TRIENNIAL REVIEW ORDER – 9 MONTH
PROCEEDING – LOOP AND TRANSPORT**

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**DOCKET NO.
03-00527**

ORDER APPOINTING HEARING OFFICER

This matter came before Chairman Deborah Taylor Tate, Director Pat Miller and Director Ron Jones of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority (the “TRA” or “Authority”), the voting Panel assigned to this Docket, at a regularly scheduled Authority Conference held on October 21, 2003 for consideration of the appointment of a Hearing Officer.

Pursuant to the Federal Communications Commission’s Triennial Review Order,¹ the TRA is required to determine whether requesting carriers are impaired without access to the following facilities of an incumbent local exchange carrier: DS1, DS3, and dark fiber loops at specific customer locations² and dedicated DS1, DS3, and dark fiber transport along specified routes.³ This nine-month Docket was opened for this purpose.

At the Authority Conference, the Panel voted unanimously to appoint Director Miller as the Hearing Officer responsible for general oversight of this Docket to address preliminary

¹ *Review of the Section 251 Unbundling Obligations of Incumbent Local Exchange Carriers; Implementation of the Local Competition Provisions of the Telecommunications Act of 1996; Deployment of Wireline Services Offering Advanced Telecommunications Capability*, FCC 03-36 (Report and Order and Order on Remand and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking) 2003 WL 22175730 (August 21, 2003).

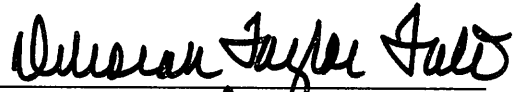
² 47 C.F.R. § 51.319(a)(4), (5), & (6).

³ 47 C.F.R. § 51.319(e)(1), (2), & (3).

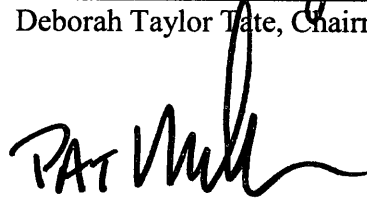
matters prior to the Hearing, rule on any petition(s) for intervention, and set a procedural schedule to completion of this Docket.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

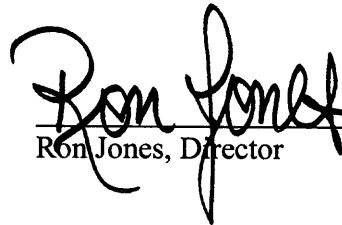
Director Miller is appointed as the Hearing Officer responsible for addressing preliminary matters prior to the Hearing, ruling on any petition(s) for intervention, and setting a procedural schedule to completion of this Docket.



Deborah Taylor Tate, Chairman



Pat Miller, Director



Ron Jones, Director